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Applicant(s) : Stuke, et al.

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For : ADHESIVE-FREE BONDING OF POLYMERIC  
COMPONENTS TO PRODUCE CLOSED MICRO- AND  
NANOCHANNEL STRUCTURES

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**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116**

Responsive to the Final Rejection mailed January 15, 2003, please grant the accompanying petition for a three month extension of time and amend the application as follows: